GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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SCHEMES FOR PROVIDING TOOLS AND EQUIPMENTS TO ARTISANS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Centrally Sponsored Schemes for providing advanced tools and equipments to rural artisans have beenlaunched in Bihar;

(b) if so, the number of beneficiaries under the said schemes during the last two years and the current year; and

(c) the time by which this scheme is likely to be implemented in other States?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA)

(a) to (c) : The Centrally Sponsored Schemes namely Supply of Improved Toolkits to Rural Artisans (SITRA) was under implementation from July 1992 to 31.3.1999 in rural areas in all States including Bihar. SITRA along with IRDP and other allied programmes have been merged into the present self-employment programme viz. Swarnajayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana (SGSY) with effect from 1.4.1999.

The number of beneficiaries assisted under SITRA during 1998-1999 in Bihar was 2515.